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REMARKS - General

By the above amendment, Applicants have amended the title to emphasize the novelty of the invention.

The applicant contends that the current invention has a novel and unique method of setting up the address table which is not addressed in either referenced United States Patent 5,926,101 nor the article for Murphy, et. al even if these two references are combined. This process is as follows: "having a sender first node send its update address table to a plurality of other nodes, then having said neighborhood nodes send acknowledge messages to the sender, having said sender sort said plurality of nodes by their addresses, then having said sender requiring of each one of the plurality of nodes its node address table in order to complete the entire network, if a node does not send an acknowledgement message, it will then appear as a node behind another node, correcting this error condition when said node and another node exchange messages between them and when said the sender first node has a complete table, having said sender first node send messages to each node in the network to include its address in others' node address tables."

This distinction has been defined in the claims.

Also applicants have rewritten all claims to define the invention more particularly and distinctly so as to overcome the technical rejections and define the invention patentably over the prior art.

Conclusion

For all of the above reasons, applicant submits that the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over prior art. Therefore the applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully solicited.

New Matter

Applicant states that the substitute specification contains no new matter.


Respectfully submitted,



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In the Drawings:

Corrected Drawings are attached.